

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

The public interest would be poorly served by weakening the cable ownership cap and the broadcast/newspaper cross-ownership rule. Therefore I oppose any move to loosen them. The FCC should encourage greater media diversity, for example, by requiring television companies to broadcast significantly more public service announcements. I oppose your effort to facilitate media consolidation.